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From the Californian, March 15, 1848:
The Liberty of the Press consists in the right to publish the Truth, with good motives and for justifiable ends. —Alexander Hamilton.

Thinking Out Loud

By H. M. L.

Tune up the great Hewgag and give her blast ta call into the Hall of Comparative Ovations the husky and stalwart disciples of St. Vitus, patron saint of the primitive Order of E. Clampus Vitus. Events of portenious dimensions are cooking in the caldron, and presently there will emerge a brew of which every clamper will be asked to drink lustily. First event on the agenda is an election of officers, and second, in the next following moon, a great rallying of Clampers from near and far to celebrate the advent of electric light in the dim, kerosene illumined North San Juan, there also to establish in its pristine Clampagestry, the ancient fellowship of the Brethren... Announcements will be Clamclarioned shortly.

Governor Olson is apparently getting fed up with the "bleat" committees. We are singularly pleased with this adjective glimpsed in a headline of our local contemporary. The "bleats" of his labor supporters who now ask nearly everything of him, except to keep their noses clean, are gradually grinding down the governor's patience. The two labor factions fostered by Messrs. Green and Lewis for their own personal agrandizement and incidental pickin's, are constantly putting our New Dealers in an unpleasant spot. We all remember when the President gave utterance to the Shakespearean curse: "A plague on both your houses," meaning the House of Lewis and the Mansion of Green. The governor might as readily quote from the Good Book: "A house diveded against itself shall fall."

Personally we should be glad to see all labor unions freed of tsars. We should like to see all workers well organized in democratic fashion, each vocation in an orderly group, every man with a free vote, and a secret ballot for all voting. In this free country we do not believe that any man should be coerced to join anything. At the present time unions say to independent workmen, "join , or starve." This is exactly the attitude formerly taken by employers in many instances when they denied a man a job if he joined a union. No man should be forced either to join or refrain from joining.

If local workmen's organizations wish to do so, they should be free as the air to form state and federal associations, as indeed they have done, and if they wish to make their influence felt in national affairs they should of course unite for political purposes. But what labor needs and for that matter what the nation needs as a whole, is enlightened, unselfish leadership that finds glory in inculcating a friendly spirit among all men, in promoting harmony and co-operation rather than strife, first among workmen themselves, and second between employers and employes.

When the world is so vexed and burdened with important social and economic problems, it seems as if the curse of demogoguery which has fallen upon so many countries were a straw too much. It may be that the fires started by egomaniacs are even now slowly dying out. There are signs in Poland, Hungary, and even Czecho-Slovakia, that the Hitler star is waning. It is reported that Franco, having used the Italian armies to whip his Spanish brethren has now asked Mussolini to remove them. This, if true would be a tough piece of spaghetti for Il Duce to swallow, but he would probably do so rather than send more Italians to fight a united Spain and incidentally chance a world war. The Japanese war in China is slowing down. The lack of war finances, the vast territory to keep in subjugation, and the threat of Russia, are giving the militarists a pause. They begin to realize perhaps that they are over extended and that any first class power, couud enter the arena now and give them a terrible beating.

It is probable also, that the President's bold uteerances concerning quarantining aggressor nations, with ever and anon a hint that democracies, upholding the same ideals, should be willing to stand together for their maintenance, have helped to cool the war ardor of dictators both east and west. If mere sabre rattling will keep the peace, by all means let Uncle Sam rattle his sabre loudest of all. A big armament appropriation may turn out to be the cheapest insurance to be had against war.

Blackwood's Insanity Plea Is Withdrawn; Sentence Wednesday

Irl Blackwood and his wife, Irene, convicted last Friday of murder in the first and second degree, respectively, appeared this morning before the jury in the Superior Court with Judge George L. Jones presiding, for their hearing on their plea of "not guilty by reason of insanity."

Following the testimony by Dr. H. F. Benteen of Grass Valley and Dr. Mary Smythe, superintendent of the Stockton state hospital, to the effect that the two were not insane, and testimony of Mrs. Beth Robinson, mother of Irl Blackwood that members of the family had shown mental instability, the insanity plea of the Blackwoods was withdrawn, and time for sentence was set at 10 o'clock next Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Robinson testified that an uncle of Irl Blackwood had died by suicide, and that a younger brother had committed suicide with a gun.

The jury brought in a verdict Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, finding Irl Blackwood guilty of murder in the first degree as a result of his killing James Roots on New Years Day in a dispute over an old tin outhouse. He was found guilty of second degree murder for the killing of Arthur Levalley at the same time. Mrs. Blackwood was found guilty on two counts of second degree murder. The jury recommended life imprisonment for Irl Blackwood.

In his own behalf, testifying on his insanity plea, Blackwood stated that on the last day he worked as WPA foreman, he had lead his crew employed on a ditch near Smartville, three miles out of their way in returning to their truck after their work was finished. He said he had lost his mind during that time.

SALES TO U. S. GOVERNMENTNOW MUST BE TAXED

Retailers throughout California today were notified by the State Board of Equalization that, effective April 1, California's retail sales tax will apply to all sales made to United States government agencies.

In keeping with recent court decisions to the effect that, in legal contemplation, the tax is on the retailer although it may be passed on to the purchaser as a part of the price of the goods, the board has adopted the following ruling:

"The tax applies to receipts from sales of tangible personal property to the United States government. Sales to such departments as the Treasury, Interior, Agriculture, War, Navy, Post office are sales to the United States government."

The board announcement pointed out that the ruling is not retroactive but applies only to transactions occurring on or after April 1.

GOVERNOR PROCLAIMS CONSERVATION WEEK

The fifth annual observance of California Conservation Week was in progress this morning and will continue through March 14. During the week, schools and club programs and public meetings will feature educational efforts directed toward the conservation of the state's natural resources.

Governor Culbert L. Olson, Honorary Chairman of the 1939 Conservation Week, inaugurated the observance with the announcement:

"The great state of California has been blessed with an abundance of natural resources which have added greatly to her wealth and scenic beauty.

"It is appropriate that California set aside a week each year to be known as 'Conservation Week.' extolling the wonders of her natural resources, and urging that these resources be guarded and preserved against unlawful encroachment and wastage.

"It is also appropriate that Conservation Week be observed this year during the week beginning March 6, during which fall Arbor Day and Luther Burbank's birthday, and I call upon all California's citizens to unite in a policy of observing our conservation laws this week and every week throughout the year.

"To this end, now, therefore, I, Culbert L. Olson, governor of California, do hereby proclaim the week beginning March 6, 1939, as Conservation Week in California, and I urge widespread observance and participation by all citizens."

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Wright of Sacramento spent the week end in Nevada City and Willow Valley visiting the Wright and Genasci families. Harry Stephens, who is undergoing treatment for injuries sustainnd in a truck accident several months ago, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Wright to Nevada City and spent the week end with his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. Stephens.

LATE E. J. HAVERSTOCK BURIED IN GLENDALE

Funeral services were held in Glendale, Calif., on Saturday for the late E. J. Haverstock who passed away on Thursday in that city. Interment was in Cypress Lawn cemetery, Glendale.

Deceased was a resident of Washington for the past fifteen years and was the genial host of the hotel there. He also held the mail contract between Nevada City and Washington for a number of years. Through his illness was brief he had been in poor health for some time. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity. Surviving him are his wife, Mrs. Mary E. Haverstock and a sister in Pennsylvania.

ST. PATRICK'S DANCE, PROGRAM ARMORY HALL

This year the annual St. Patrick's Dance will be held in Nevada City. It is the custom for the dance to be held alternately in Grass Valley and Nevada City. It is sponsored by the parishioners of St. Canice and will be held at Armory Hall, Saturday, March 18. There will be a fine orchestra for dance music and also a good program. All interested persons are urged to attend, the proceeds of the affair will be used for the needs of the parish.

RED CROSS STATION CAMPTONVILLE SOON

CAMPTONVILLE, March 6.—This community expects to have a Red Cross Emergency First Aid Station established. This will consist of the necessary equipment to dispense first aid in an emergency and will be the only place between Nevada City and Downieville, at present there being no provisions for emergencies. With the establishment of the station the Red Cross Chapter at Marysville will furnish an instructor and give a 20-hour training course to fit those necessary to represent such station. The training is free and anyone interested may take it. Anyone interested in this matter should contact Forest Ranger Frank Meggers, or Judge A. M. Cleveland.

COON FEASTS POPULAR

The latter part of last week Sheriff Carl J. Tobiassen and Victor Gates and Sheriff Dewey Johnson and Deputy Sheriff Chester Butz of Sierra county, enjoyed a coon hunt on the Idaho-Maryland mine and Loma Rica ranch properties. They succeeded in killing one large coon which was taken home by the Sierra county officers for a feast. Coons are vegetarians and are considered quite delicious eating.

James Daniels and wife of Tacoma, Washington, came by Nevada City last week en route home from a most enjoyable time in San Francisco and on Treasure Island. Mr. Daniels is a brother in law of Robert Allen of Boulder street and a former Nevada City resident.

HOTEL MAN SAWS OFF LIMB WHILE STANDING ON IT

Gus Dimmen, owner of the Sierra Hotel on Spring street suffered bruises and shock this forenoon when he either accidentally or absent mindedly sawed off a walnut limb on which he was standing and fell to the ground with it. He was clearing the limbs away preparatory to rebuilding a section of his building torn away several years ago. Mr. Dimmen was sawing this rather large limb below him evidently not noticing it was the one he was standing on. Several local citizens were standing along the street watching Dimmen working when the mishap occurred.

COUNTY CLERKS TO MEET IN SAN FRANCISCO

County Clerk and Mrs. R. N. McCormack will go to San Francisco this week where he will attend the county clerks convention on the 9, 10 and 11. The clerks will study the bills presented to the legislature and make any recommendations felt necessary in improving or eliminating unsatisfactory legislation pertaining to their work.

DOWNIEVILLE NOW SEEKS NEW ROUTE TO VALLEY

Aghast at the estimated cost of the proposed Yuba river low level highway between Downieville and Marysville, connecting the Mae West highway at the Indian Valley bridge and the Tahoe-Ukiah at the Parks Bar bridge, the directors of Joint Highway district 24 and Yuba and Sierra county supporters comprised in an agreeing to ask a cost estimate on the Willow Creek route at the district highway meeting which was held at Marysville Thursday.

The believed excessive cost of the low level highway and the fact that the Willow Creek route between the Indian Valley bridge and Bullards Bar Dam would also serve Camptonville, Alleghany and other communities and would be less expensive to build and shorter in length, agreement was reached to ask the Division of Highways to prepare a cost estimate and survey the new route.

Wording of the resolution was left to Director Victor Hallock and Engineer Ross Taylor, both of Sierra county, the sense of the meeting being that a road that will suit Sierra county will best suit Yuba county.

Sierra countyans who attended the meeting were: Margaret Lambert, county treasurer; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Motini, Victor Hallock, supervisor, who recently started a new agitation for the highway route; Editor Vic Cassidy of the Mountain Messenger; Frank Turner, county clerk; M. F. Lusk, Norman L. Costa, Bill Robbins, Frank Turner, Ross Taylor count,y surveyor; Tony Lavezolla of the St. Charles Hotel; Ray Herrera, Alton Cook, Steve Dondero and Earl Turner; all of Downieville; Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Holzworth, E. M. Innes, Geo. Willis and Eric Ostrom, all of Sierra City.

Harry Parsons, ex-Spanish war veteran, returned today from a five months stay at Yountville. He was critically ill while there but looks in better health now than he has been in many years. He said the sunshine was warm and spring flowers were out making it beautiful at Yountville. Mr. Parsons will spend this spring and summer in his small home out on the Downieville highway.

George Chaney of Nevada City talked over the Sacramento Bee radio station yesterday in a short program telling of the notrious high wayman Black Bart. The Wells Fargo strong box which is in the museum at Timbucktoo, Nevada County was also taken to the radio station. It was one that Black Bart had broken open when he robbed a stagecoach of gold dust, nuggets and bullion.

Constable William Boetcher of Truckee was a business visitor in Nevada City today. Mr. Boetcher has served Truckee as constable for about 21 years.

Murchie To Start New Cross-Cut, Mile Long, Costing $100,000, If-

Depending on whether or not the state legislature now in session for the second half of its term, refrains from imposing further taxes, labor regulations, and other haressments of a legislatuve character upon the mining industry, the Murchie mine management is prepared to expend $100,000 or more, in running a footwall cross cut from the 400 foot level in its shaft for 6,000 feet toward Mt. Banner.

The purpose of this crosscut would be to explore an area which gives some promise of ore development under the slopes of that mountain. It has been determined to use this method of exploring the area adjoining the Lava Cap holdings to the east, rather than to sink a new exploratory shaft on Mt. Banner. The preliminary work is shortly to begin and will be vigorously prosecuted once the management is assured of no further restrictive or hampering legislation.

It will be necessary to straightem and condition drifts and tunnels in the immediate vicinity of the Murchie shaft so as to give the proposed cross-cut a proper grade and dimensions for discharging a vast amout of waste.

While it is not stated authoritatively how many men the construction of this cross-cut over a mile long, will employ, it is probable that at least as many men as now employed will be required. The Murchie now employs 130 men and some of the work in which the are now engaged will undobutely be continued.

SNOW PLOWS BACK TO WORK. ROADS CLEARED

After many days of fair weather the state division of highways report that four inches of new snow has fallen at Steep Hollow on the Tahoe Ukiah highway east of Nevada City and was continuing to come down. Two snow plows have been out on the highway all day keeping the road clear.

Through the Tahoe National Forest headquarters it was learned that there were five inches of new snow at Big Bend and eight inches at Soda Springs, and it still is coming down. Snow plows are working on route 40, automobiles are going over the Donned Summit and roads are in good shape. Considerable interest is being shown in the snow in the upper regions as skiing and other snow sports would have been curtailed to some extent if it had not stormed. Skiing was poor during the we end as snow had melted in many places and in others it was too soft.

ASSESSOR HAS OFFICE IN G. V. FOR TWO WEEKS

Tomorrow County Assessor, John M. Hammill and staff will be domiciled on the second floor in the city hall in Grass Valley and will be ready for business at 9 a. m. They will remain in the Grass Valley quarters for two weeks.

All persons who own personal property not secured by real estate are requested to call and make payment of the taxes thereon. Owners of real estate should call and list their property holdings, real and personal.

War veterans wishing to claim the exemption of $1000 allowed by the law should call at the office with their honorable discharge papers and make the necessary affidavits.

Office hours will be maintained from 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.

Property owners become liable to assessment of all property owned on the first Monday in March.

Mrs. Clara Scarfe, who was called to Los Angeles on account of the serious illness of her son George, returned to her home yesterday evening. Her son was taken from the hospital to his home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Krough were recent visitors at Fort Miley and San Francisco.

J. E. Roberts of Sacramento is spending a vacation with his sister and brother in law, and Mrs. Dave Richards of Boulder street.

Lieutenant Commander E. F. McCarcin came up from San Francisco and spent Sunday visiting his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Parsons.

When Game Warden Earl Hiscox came from Truckee and surrounding territory early yesterday morning he put chains on his automobile to come over Donner Summit where there was eight inches of new snow.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Gregory and son, Dick, spent the week end in Sacramento visiting a sister of Mrs. Gregory.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Clark came down from the Lucky Jane mine at North Bloomfield today on a business trip.

Robert Tucker, who is attending University of California and a college chum spent the week end in Nevada City with his mother, Deputy County Recorder Anna Tucker.

BIDS ON HIGH SCHOOL ADDITION ARE TOO HIGH

The lowest bid on the new addition to the Nevada City high school, opened by the Unified District board was $4,000 hikher than the amount of money provided ($20,000) in the bond issue. This bid was submitted by Paul Jenks of Grass Valley.

After some discussion the board decided to apply to the WPA for a loan, hoping to obtain enough not only for the construction of a stage to the gymnasium-auditorium, and craft class rooms beneath it, as contemplated in the plans for enlargement, but also enough to purchase much needed equipment for the new additions.

REV. BORELL TO PREACH IN TRINITY SUNDAY

Bishop Noel Porter of the Sacramento Diocese has announced that Eldon W. Borell of Berkeley will be in Nevada City Sunday, March 12 to hold services at 11 a. m. in Trinity church. Mr. Borell will also visit with the Sunday school at 10 a. m. Yesterday, Miss Elma Hecker, superintendent, treated all the Sunday school children to candy suckers in honor of her recent birthday, all those not being present will receive their candy this coming Sunday.

On Wednesday evening, March 8 at 7:30 will be the litany service and a short reading, followed by choir practice. The choir under the direction of Mrs. Marian Libbey are working on the Easter music for Easter Sunday, April ninth.

Forest Supervisor DeWitt Nelson is in San Francisco.

Mrs. Martha Dillon, who has been quite ill for several weeks, is improving which will be good news to her many friends.

YOUTH CO-ORDINATING WILL BE FORMED IN N. C.

A meeting was held in the city hall Friday afternoon by appointed delegates from the various civic organizations of Nevada City with "Youth Delinquency" as the problem of discussion. The group hopes to soon form a coordinating council to help solve this problem in this district. Their aim will be prevention of delinquency.

Kenneth Beam, executive secretary of the "Community Coordination" a council throughout the state formed to promote "service councils" in the various cities met with the group. Mrs. E. T. Bonner of Nevada City was elected to head this present council.

Delegates were present from the Rotary Club (who initiated the present discussions), the Business and Professional Women's Club; the high and grammar school P. T. A. and the city council.

Mrs. Bonner appointed a committee to meet with Mr. Beam soon and discuss the council more thoroughly. The council will consist of delegates from all the organizations in the city. The committee consists of the following: E. V. Cain, Mrs. Oscar Odegaard, Mrs. Isabel Hefelfinger, Mrs. Leland Smith, Gertrude Goyne and Mrs. Helman E. Kjorlie.

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According to further facts presented at the hearings, not only are disproportiontely high taxes driving large individual fortunes out of the state, but tax increases on California business—even without the proposed new personal income tax, new severance taxes on natural resources, increased gas taxes and higher bank and corporation franchise taxes—are raising the tax load on California industry for above that of other states and setting heavy handicaps on California competition with out-of-state business.

Nevada's new advertising campaign refers to that state as the "Cyclone Cellar of the Tax Weary." Significantly enough, it is launched at a time when Califoornia is confronted with hundreds of plans for new levies to meet a record budget of over half a billion dollars. Most of us would prefer to see that budget pared to fit our ability to pay, if the alternative is driving more California industries and individuals away to hide in our neighbor's "cyclone cellar."—Contributed.

No Pennies From Heaven

With reservoirs low, rainfall far below normal and the snow pack in the mountains rapidly dwindling, California farmers have been scanning the skies for days past. Unless heavy rains come soon, serious losses seem inevitable for stockmen and growers. But as yet, there are no sign of "pennies from Heaven" in most districts.

In the great Central Valley of California, which provides more food for the American dinner table than any other area in the nation, certain sections have experienced the driest winter since 1876, with grain and feed crops badly damaged and with fruit crops endangered by a possible summer shortage of water for irrigation purposes.

Forunately, California has taken steps to avert much of the danger of drought in years to come by authorizing construction of the Central Valley Water Project, which will harness winter flood waters to insure a stabilized flow in dry summer months. No financial provision has been made as yet, however, for laterals and ditches to take water from the project's main canals to farm lands of the valleys. In view of that fact, farmers in the southern San Joaquin Valley and in other areas are rightly concerned over proposals to seek funds from Washington for a steam plant and other power development features not contemplated in the original program. California has an adequate power supply, but it still lacks an adequate, controlled water supply. And the state needs protection for its crops far more than it needs TVA experimentation.—Contributed.

San Quentin's Dimes

By millions Californians responded to the "march of dimes" campaign to finance the scientific war of extermination against infantale paralysis. The buttons adorned business suits, overalls, silk dresses, gingham prints. Most of those millions do not know that one thousand six hundred and ninety-four "march of dimes" buttons were worn on the drab uniforms of men confined in San Quentin prison. And most of the prisoners who did not contribute had no dime to give. It is a paradoxical world, in which men we shut away because of wrongs they have done to their fellows charitably join with free men to help clear away the walls of ignorance behind which we are all prisoners together.—Contributed.

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CAMPTONVILLE

CAMPTONVILLE, March 6.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rogers left a few days ago for their home at Oakland, it being necessary for Mr. Rogers to leave here on account of his health.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard D. Rathjen arrived at Pike City on a vacation visit to his mother, Mrs. Minnie Rathjen.

Elmer Fischer who has been ill is able to resume his duties driving the Downieville stage.

Cyril Pendola of San Francisco has been visiting relatives in this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Erle Pauly who have been confined a week with the flu are improving.

Lee Bullington and son Louis E. Bullington motored to Nevada City Thursday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Rance Durfee of Gridley spent Sunday in this section visiting his sister Mrs. Julius Cassano.

A. J. Elliot of Weeds Point was stricken with paralysis Wednesday and was taken to Marysville for hosptilization.

Mrs. Herring of Gold Flat was a guest of Mrs. Mary Clendenen Tuesday.

Judge A. M. Cleveland returned Friday night from Marysville where he attended a meeting of the Yuba-Sierra point highway district.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy C. Tabler of Indian Valley fish hatchery are moving to town preparatory to the opening of school.

CAMPTONVILLE, March 6.—Mrs. Sarah J. Colvin and Claude E. McQuery celebrated their respective birthdays Wednesday evening with a dinner given at the Calvin home on Main street. Mrs. Calvin, in her usual manner, prepared a delightful dinner and a very pleasant evening was spent with the following present: Mr. and Mrs. Claude McQuery, Mrs. Irene Bishop, Mrs. Everett Kessler, Miss Dolores Bishop, Jack Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Calvin.

CAMPTONVILLE, March 6.—The womens club held a regular meeting of that organization Friday evening at the home of Miss Lesta Joubert on Main street. The regular routine business of the club was taken up, among which it was voted to hold a public card party in the ward room on March 17. Following the business refreshments of cake, coffee and chocolate were served by Miss Joubert the hostess. A very enjoyable evening was had.

CONSERVATION WEEK TO OPEN TUESDAY

Organization of conservation committees has just been completed in 56 California counties for the fifth annual observance of California Conservation Week, March7-14, E. L. Baxter is chairman of the Nevada and Sierra counties committees.

With support enlisted from every major agency and organization interested in the conservation of the state's remaining natural resources, leaders of the observance were busy this week completing arrangements which began early last November.

The objective forwarded in this year's announcement from the California Conservation Council is to "provide a continuous program of conservation education in schools and homes to develop an attitude of mind and a way of living that is constructive, not destructive.

DOWNIEVILLE CCC CAMP

The Tahoe National Forest established their CCC spike camp of 25 boys at Downieville today. The boys will finish work on the telephone line between Camptonville and Downieville. Considerable work was done reconditioning and realigning the line last fall and it should be completed before long.

William Fisher who has been assistant ranger in the Truckee district has been transferred to the Mono national forest and will be stationed there for a temporary period. Headquarters are in Reno.

Mrs. Adelaide Reilly and daughter Jean, spent the past week end in Berkeley and attended the fair on Treasure Island.

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SCOUTMASTER PRATTI VISITS ROSEVILLE SCOUTS

Scoutmaster Albert Pratti and wife, Mrs. Alma Renfree and Miss Ida Pratti motored to Roseville Saturday evening to attend a Boy Scout meeting. Representatives of the four Grass Valley troops were also present. Troop 17 of Roseville won the silver cup while Troop 12 of Loomis lost the cup, the first time in eight years and took second place, in several contests.

Miss Ellen Walmsley, daughter of Mrs. Ellen Walmsley, returned home Sunday from a several months stay in Fresno with her sister and family.

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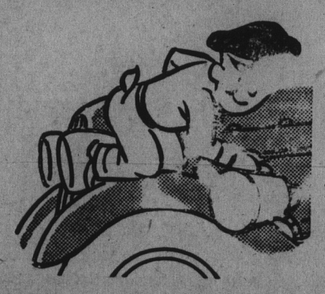

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I wonder now as spring draws near
To clothe the fields with living green
And call the wild flowers from their sleep
To glorify each radiant scene,
If we, who walk through beauty's realm
Will leave her jewels glowing there,
That those who follow in our wake
May find them still as bright and fair.

I wonder if we should now consider vandals. Presto! Your thoughts fly to that irritating individual who chips souvenirs from noble statuary, chisels hunks of masony from public buildings and carves his little name upon every cherished shrine from Mark Twain's cabin to the Taj Mahal.

Meanwhile, my thoughts are focused upon the eager, starry eyed beauty lover, who, in blossom time dashes into Nature's lovely courts, only to leave them trampled, broken and denuded, sometimes past all hope of rehabilitation.

How this man loves wild flowers—and how relentlessly! On plunder bent in forest, field or glen, he is satisfied with nothing less than an entire dogwood tree, a quarter section of a poppy field, or their equivalents. Flowers, buds and trailing vines, he gathers root and branch.

Often before reaching home, his wildwood treasures droop and wither; slender stems become limp, leaves withered, glowing petals faded and discolored; rating everything a total loss, our vandal stops his car at the roadside, dumps his entire cargo and drives hurriedly away.

This is a familiar spectacle; armfuls of golden poppies, purple lupine and other precious blossoms, branches, torn from flowering trees and shrubs, left to perish in the heat and dust of the open highway.

This sort of vandalism should be curbed. Educational methods should be adopted, possibly a Be Kind to Flowers Week, during which parents, teachers and nature lovers in general should take stock of themselves and then instruct their younger and more thoughtless companions in the art of dealing fairly with the wild flowers of our forests and fields.

Of course we love to gather wild flowers, but this pleasure should not be attended by destruction.

Spring makes her annual debut,
And this is how we know,
The lovers of things beautiful
Dash madly to and fro;
They tear the dogwood limb from limb,
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Uncle Silas says: "There's one good thing about F. D R., fishing trips, he never tells us about the fish that got away."

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From Aunt Sarah

The popularity of fruit bread is well deserved, here is an intriguing combination of apricots and all-bran. You may use sour milk in this!

1 cup chopped dried apricots.
1 1-3 cups sour milk or buttermilk.
1-3 cup sugar.
1 egg.
1 1-2 cups all-bran.
2 cups flour.
2 teaspoons baking powder.
1-2 teaspoon soda.
1-2 ttaspoon salt.
1-4 teaspoon nutmeg.
1-2 cup chopped nutmeats.

Soak chopped apricots in milk about 15 minutes. Cream shortening and sugar thoroughly; add egg, beat until creamy. Add all-bran, apricots and milk. Let soak until most of the moisture is taken up. Sift flour with baking powder, soda, salt and nutmeg; combine with nutmeats; add to first mixture, stirring only until flour disappears. Bake in greased loaf pan with waxed paper in the bottom, in moderate oven (350°) about 1 hour and ten minutes. Yield 1 loaf (4 1-2 by 9 1-2 inch pan.

PRIVATE BOYCOTT CUTS JAPANESE IMPORTS 26 PCT.

America's private boycott against Japanese goods accounts for approximately 26 per cent of the total $52 million decrease in our imports from Japan during the first year of the Sino-Japanese war, writes Dr. Nathan M. Becker in the Far Eastern Survey. The remaining loss in trade, he reports, has been due to the U. S. business recession, the normal increase in use of silk substitutes and internal factors in Japan hammering her export trade.

To anaylze the effect of the boycott, Dr. Becker divides American imports from Japan into three classes. Loss of trade due to the boycott in Class A, easily recognizable consumer goods with ready substitutes such as toys, brushes, and earthenware, constituting 23 per cent of our pre-war imports from Japan, amounted to about $11 million. Class B, raw silk, composing 52 per cent of our imports from Japan in the year preceding the war, has seen a negligible decline, with a loss of $3.4 million attributable to the boycott. Class C includes producer goods for which there are few available substitutes such as menthol, camphor, and perilla oil, and semi-manufactured goods on the wholesale level. Only about 5 per cent of the total import loss of $10.2 million can be ascribed to the boycott. In certain cases, such as zippers, purchases have actually increased.

The consumer's boycott movement is strongest in the northwest and the West Coast, fading in effectiveness in the Middle West and South, and in Los Angeles. Urban centers are more active than rural districts. Political appeal of the boycott supported by many organizations has been strongly reinforced by "buy American" sentiment. Although boycott sentiment is strong, many consumers have not translated their sentiment into action.

So far, the anti-Japanese boycott has been carried on almost exclusively at the consumer goods level, with little effort being made to enlist the aid of producers using Japanese raw materials. In certain areas, retailers have cooperated by stopping repeat orders of Japanese goods and stocking substitutes. Where boycott sentiment is known to exist, wholesalers have exercised caution in the purchase of Japanese goods.

England, France, India, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and other countries have similar private boycotts of varying effectiveness. The most substantial results, more than double those in the United States, are found in Southeast Asia.

While the boycott movement in the United States and elsewhere has not, as some of its sponsors hoped, delivered a telling blow to Japan's war machine, Dr. Becker concludes, it has nevertheless resulted in loss by Japan of a substantial amount of trade and commercial good will.

ELKS BOWLING SCORE

In the Elks bowling tournament yesterday Nevada City lost four points to Marysville; Chico lost to Grass Valley by four points.

The scores are Marysville seven points; Nevada City six points; Grass Valley six points and Chico five points.

As the tournament now stands Chico will play Nevada City on the local Elks bowling alleys and Marysville will play Grass Valley.

LEGAL NOTICE

CERTIFICATE OF PARTNERSHIP DOING BUSINESS UNDER A FICTITIOUS NAME.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF NEVADA. ss.

I hereby certify that W. O. INNIS, residing at Oil City, Pennsylvania, and A. B. INNIS, residing at Nevada City, California, are partners, transacting business at Nevada City, in the State of California under the name of INNIS DREDGING COMPANY, a designation not showing their name as the person interested as partners in such business.

Dated: February 11, 1939.

A. B. INNIS,
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF NEVADA. ss.

On this 11th day of February, 1939, before me, FRANK G. FINNEGAN, a Notary Public in and for the County of Nevada, State of California, personally appeared A. B. INNIS, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

(Seal) FRANK G. FINNEGAN,
Notary Public in and for the County of Nevada, State of California.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA,
COUNTY OF VENANGO. ss.

On this 21st day of February, 1939, before me, HAROLD T. PARKER, a Notary Public in and for the County of Venango, State of Pennsylvania, personally appeared W. O. Innis, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

(Seal) HAROLD T. PARKER,
Notary Public in and for the County of Venango, State of Pennsylvania.

Notary Public. My commission expires March 9, 1939.
Feb. 27, Mar. 6, 13, 20.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, GENERAL LAND OFFICE, DISTRICT LAND OFFICE AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA.
FEBRUARY 25, 1939.

MINERAL APPLICATION NO. 032042.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EMPIRE STAR MINES COMPANY, LIMITED, whose postoffice address is Grass Valley, California, has made application for patent for the RUBY LODE MINING CLAIM, Survey No. 6234, situated in the Willow Valley Mining District, Nevada County, California, described as follows:

Beginning at Corner No. 1 of the RUBY LODE MINING CLAIM which is identical with the North East Corner of Section 8, Township 16, North Range 9 East, M. D. B. & M.; thence South 88° 07' W. 1359.95 feet to Corner No. 2 of said Lode Mining Claim; thence S. 1° 15' E. 600 feet to Corner No. 3 of said mining claim thence North 88° 07' East 1359.95 feet to Corner No. 4 of said mining Claim; thence North 1° 15' West 600 feet to Corner No. 1 and the place of beginning. It conflicts with the Mountain Chief, unsurveyed.

That the lands adjoining on the East, North and West are patented; that the lands adjoining on the South are unpatented. The conflict with the North West Quarter of the North East Quarter, (NW¼ of NE¼) of Section 8, Township 16 North, Range 9 East, M. D. B. & M. is expressly excluded from this application.

Location notice is recorded in Book 24 of Mining Claims, Page 197, records of Nevada County, California.

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JOAN BLONDELL, PAT O'BRIEN IN 'OFF THE RECORD'

"Off the Record" a new Warner Brothers picture, with a newspaper background, opens Wednesday at the Broadway Theatre with Pat O'Brien and Joan Blondell teamed as its co-stars and young Bobby Jordan of the "Dead End" kids playing a featured role.

The last previous production in which Pat and Joan were co-starred was also a newspaper picture, "Back in Circulation," but aside from the similarity of background the new picture has little in common with the former one.

This time Pat and Joan are both reporters on the same paper, and considerable excitement is lent the production by the depiction of their professional exploits, but the fundamental theme of the story—and one that is full of genuine heart throbs is the determination of Joan, a warm hearted and sympathetic woman under her cynical exterior, to accomplish the reform and rehabilitation of a little tough kid.

She encounters the kid first in the course of an expose of juvenile gambling that contributes to the coffers of the city's gambling boss, and after he has been sent to reform school, she contrives to have him paroled to the custody of herself and Pat, to whom she has just been married.

Pat is not at all sympathetic with her interest in the little tough, but the boy's genuinely good qualities eventually win him over, though along the way the youngster apparently reverts to his former criminal habits.

Other actors prominent in the cast besides Pat, Joan and Bobby are Alan Baxter, William Davidson, Morgan Conway and Moroni Olsen. Based on an iriginal story by Saul Elkins and Sally Sandlin, the alternately melodramatic, sentimental and amuing screen play was written by Niven Busch, Lawrence Kimble and Earl Baldwin. The production was directed by James Flood.

Attorney Harry E. McKee recently received the sad news of the passing of his close friends, Dr. Salvatore Schiro in San Francosco. Dr. Schiro has vited Mr. McKee at McKeesport many times.

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HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

By JEAN MARTZ

On Friday the Student Body was entertained by a program put on by the Home Economics Club. The mistress of ceremonies was Sylvia Ronning, president of the club. The first number on the progral included a solo "La Paloma" sung in Spanish by Paulene Marshall, who accompanied herself with a guitar, a reading by Marilyn Lee "The Complete Analyses of a Cold;" Bernice McQuay played a piano solo, "The Robin's Return;" Betty O'Conner sang "Deep Purple", popular torch song of today; a humorous poem by Jean Martz "Lines to a Lady About to go Abroad for the First Time." The high spot of the girls' part of the program was Patricia Presley's singing the beautiful "Indian Love Call." As an encore, she sang "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes," Sylvia Ronning introduced Mrs. Tobias of Grass Valley, who gave a fine talk on "Peace Through Understanding." Mrs. Tobias is a doctor and she was engaged in public health work for a number of years in Germany. She spoke about the culture of the United States as well as the educational facilities here. She said that the United States is the outstanding peaceful country in a world of war and aggression.

CAPS AND GOWNS

One of the issues at the high school is still "Will the Seniors graduate in caps and gowns?" Those opposed to it argue that the girls look much prettier in formals, and stand out as individuals. They also say that caps and gowns were first used in colleges and that high schools should not imitate them. Those who wish caps and gowns say they are the symbols of graduation. They argue that the expense is too great when parents have to buy three formal dresses as well as the expense of other senior activities. There is scarcely any use for formals in this community. Mr. Kjorlie has secured samples of caps and gowns and a decision will soon be made.

HONOR SOCIETY MEETS

The Honor Society met Friday to discuss plans for a party. They decided that the best date for the party would be March 24. President Jean Martz appointed Billie Keller and Ruth Mitchell on the food committee and Betty Krough and Patricia Presley on the entertainment committee. The party will he held at the high school. The Honor Society also decided to hold a luncheon meeting on Friday the tenth. The luncheon and another meeting will be held the first part of the week. Patricia Arbogast and Barbara Phariss are the luncheon committee. Miss Rector is the advisor for the Honor Society.

The art classes have been doing some fine work on travel posters. The best of these are exhibited on the bulletin board in the study hall. There is one poster on Africa, one on Cuba, one on the Orient, two on world cruises, three on the world's fair and two on Hawaii. These posters are done in very bright colors with poster paint. Miss Peterson teaches the art classes.

BASKETBALL

The two girls' A basketball teams met on Friday, in the most exciting game of the tournament. Laura Price's team, which has not been successful in winning any games, took the lead in the first of the game. The score at the half was 8-12 in favor of Laura Price's team and at the end of the third quarter it was 10-16 in favor of the same team. In the fourth quarter, however, Margie Keckler's team with Jane Bennett acting captain, began to make hhots. Laura's team held their lead until, with only about two minutes to play the other team got two baskets, making the score 22-24 in Margie's favor.

OLDER GIRLS CONFERENCE

The elegates for the Older Girls' Conference have been announced. Seniors attending will be Virginia Carney, Alice Norton, Irma Hurst, Laura Price, LeVerne Willard, Georgia Glennon, Bernice McQuay, Doreen Foreman and Jean Martz. Juniors who will attend are Margie Clark and Jane Bennett. Jean Martz Girls League president, will have charge of a discussion led by the Nevada City girls. The subject will be "Improvement of Personality." Miss Seventsen will attend the conference as advisor.

SEARCHLIGHT

A Searchlight will be published the first of this week, Irma Hurst the editor has announced. The Searchlight is put on largely by the journalism class.

INTER-CLASS GAMES

The boys, having finished the last of the league basketball games, are now playing inter-class basketball. The freshmen have few large boys and their outlook is not very promising.

Social Events

Ponemah Council Visit Grass Valley

Twenty seven members of Ponemah Council, Degree of Pocahontas attended a meeting of Ceanotha Council in Grass Valley Friday evening when the Great Pocahontas Tillie Cavanaro, of San Francisco, made her official visit. She was accompanied by Preat Prophetess Mrs. Earl Harrington, Roseville and Past Great Pocahontas Mrs. Ruby Mekellos of Oroville.

Nine palefaces were adopted into the order making the largest class to enter in the fifty three official visits of the Great Pocahontas. Visitors were present from Sacramento, Roseville, Lincoln and Nevada City A delicious raviola dinner was served on a table gaily decorated with red, white and blue streamers and tiny American flags.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC BUYS 40 NEW LOCOMOTIVES

The Southern Pacific Company has just placed orders for 40 new locomotives, at a cost of approximately $7,250,000, according to announcement by A. D. McDonald, president.

Twenty eight of the locomotives will be manufactured by the Baldwin Locomotive Works and twelve by the Lima Locomotive Works. All are for use in freight and passenger service on the company's Pacific Lines, it was stated.

The purchase is part of Southern Pacific's improvement program for 1939. Recently, the company ordered 40,000 gross tons of steel rail and 12,440 gross tons of rail fastenings, at a total cost of approximately $2,500,000.

Sam Bybee, who is on a lease near Forest Hill, was a recent Nevada City visitor. He suffered an injury while at work about the mining property with Robert Ewing and other partners and came out for medical attention. A tractor was used to bring him out over the snow from the mine a distance of eleven miles.

CAMPTONVILLE, March 6.—A new saw mill is slated to spring up in the vicinity of Oak Valley in the spring. Frank Grango of Sunnyvale has recently completed an agreement with some of the private land owners in that section to market their timber and it is stated that he intends to erect a saw mill near the highway near Frog Hollow.

Mr. and Mrs. Delvin Benjamin of Hamilton City spent Sunday visiting Benjamins cousin, Robert Allen and wife. Benjamin is a former resident.

J. B. Canada, employed at the Walker mine, Plumas county, spent the past week end in Nevada City visiting friends.

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WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

OFF THE RECORD — Starring Pat O'Brien and Joan Blondell in A Warner Bros. picture in an off the record story, story of the newlyweds who adopted the "Dead End" Kid. Some honeymoon with the kid as a stowaway. Reform school was peace and quiet in contrast to this adventure for the kid.

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R. N. McCORMACK, County Clerk.